QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY.

(Not taken up).

Tanks in service and in need of repairs.

Q.—81. **Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA** (Chitaldrug District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of tanks in the State that are actually under service and the acreage of *atchkat*;

(*b*) the number of tanks in the State that are in need of repairs;

(*c*) the number of tanks that are in service in Chitaldrug District?

A.—**The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA** (Home Minister).—

(*a*) to (*c*) Information is being collected.

State Fund Road from Sravanabelagola to Krishnarajpet.

Q.—286. **Sri D. GOVINDA DAS** (Hassan District—Depressed Class).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether any representation had been received by the previous Representative Assembly requesting for the formation of a State Fund Road from Sravanabelagola to Krishnarajpet *via* Kothagatta and Dammaningala;

(*b*) the length of the road and the cost of the estimate?

A.—**The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA** (Home Minister).—

(*a*) and (*b*) Information is being collected.

Tanks restored since January 1948 till now.

Q.—296. **Sri B. CHANNA BYRE GOWDA** (Bangalore District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of major and minor tanks restored since January 1948 till now in the State (districtwar figures to be given);

(*b*) of these, the number completed in each district;

(*c*) with regard to those completed, when the estimates were prepared and the dates on which those estimates were sanctioned by Government and work commenced?

A.—**The Hon'ble Sri T. MARIAPPA** (Home Minister).

(*a*) to (*c*) Information is being collected.

MESSAGE OF HIS HIGHNESS THE RAJPRAMUKH.

Re.—Reconsideration of the Mysore Temple Entry Authorisation (Amendment) Bill, 1951.

Mr. SPEAKER (The Hon'ble Sri V. Venkatappa).—I have received a message from His Highness which is as follows:—

"The Hon'ble Speaker, Mysore Legislative Assembly.

The Mysore Temple Entry Authorisation (Amendment) Bill, 1951, was passed by the Mysore Legislative Assembly on the 24th January 1951 and was presented to His Highness the Rajpramukh under Article 200 of the Constitution of India. His Highness the Rajpramukh reserved the Bill for the consideration of the President under Article 200 of the said Constitution.

2. The President has been pleased to direct His Highness the Rajpramukh in pursuance of the proviso to Article 201 of the said Constitution of India to return the Bill to the Mysore Legislative Assembly with a Message requesting that the Assembly may reconsider the Bill having regard to the provisions of Articles 17 and 35(a) (ii) of the Constitution.

3 Accordingly in pursuance of the provisions of the proviso to Article 201 read with the provisions of the first proviso to Article 200 of the Constitution of India, I, Jaya Chamaraja Wadiyar, Rajpramukh of Mysore, recommend to the Mysore Legislative Assembly that they do reconsider the Mysore Temple Entry Authorisation (Amendment) Bill, 1951, having regard to the provisions of Articles 17 and 35(a) (ii) of the Constitution, and I appoint the Hon'ble Sri H. Siddaiya, Minister for Revenue and Excise, to be the Member in charge of the Bill."

JAYA CHAMARAJA WADIYAR,
Maharaja of Mysore.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಚನ್ನಬೈರೇಗೌಡರು (ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ).—ನಾನು ಒಂದು ವಿಶೇಷ ನಿರ್ಣಯವನ್ನು ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದ್ದೆ. ಅದರ ವಿಚಾರ ಏನಾಯಿತು ?

ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು.—ವಿಚಾರಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಆರ್. ಶ್ರೀಕಂಠೇಶ್ವರ್‌ರವರು (ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ).—ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರದಲ್ಲಿ ವೀಳೆದೆಲೆಗೆ ಸೇಲ್ಸ್ ಟ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್ ಹಾಕುತ್ತಿರುವ ವಿಚಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದು ಅಲ್ಪ ಕಾರಾವಧಿ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದ್ದೆ. ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಡಲಿಲ್ಲ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—How can it be a short notice question ? It is not of an urgent nature. It has been disallowed.

Sri K. R. SREEKANTESWAR.—When it is agitating the minds of many it is urgent.

Mr. SPEAKER.—There may be agitation on any subject at any time ; how could that become a short notice question ?

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

The Mysore Inam Villages (Abolition of Inam Tenure) Bill, 1951.

Motion to consider (contd.)

Mr. SPEAKER (The Hon'ble Sri V. Venkatappa).—Further discussion on the motion to consider the Mysore Inam Villages (Abolition of Inam Tenure) Bill, 1951, as reported by the Select Committee will be resumed.

*Janab **MAHMOOD SHARIFF** (Mysore *cum* Mandya *cum* Hassan—Muslim).—Mr. Speaker, Sir, the draft Bill proposing the abolition of inams and jahagirs, I am sure everybody will agree with me, is a very important legislative measure. It really constitutes a landmark in the history of our land and if this beneficent measure is placed on the statute book, it is not only going to further enhance the reputation of the Mysore State but will also secure the blessings of thousands of poor peasants living in the inam villages in the State. This goes to indicate that Mysore is trying to steal a march over other States in the matter of agrarian reforms. The proceedings in the previous legislatures of Mysore indicate that all people, whatever shades of opinion they belonged to, had thought that it was time for something substantial to be done in order to improve the lot of our peasants. Several questionnaires were issued, Committees were appointed in order to make a survey of the agrarian conditions prevailing in the State and to propose measures for the betterment and improvement of the lots of our peasants. Although there was difference of opinion regarding as to how, in what manner and at what stages these reforms should be implemented, there were no two opinions with regard to the matter that the lot or the condition of the peasants, which was not at all enviable, should have to be improved.

So far as the system obtaining in the State is concerned, it is old, it is outmoded and it does not deserve to continue as such. The impact of Western ideas, particularly ideas coming to us from Russia, gave incentive to our legislators and so this problem came to the fore with the result that every part of India took this matter seriously. So far as Mysore is concerned, as it formed a very important and progressive unit of the Indian Republic, it did not want to lag behind and now they have placed before us a Bill.

So far as Inams are concerned, I am sorry to say that conditions there are not satisfactory. It was expected that the Inamdars would have sympathy, vision and human touch in their relationship with their tenants and would improve their conditions. It was further expected that the Inamdars, who were the trustees charged with the solemn task of promoting the interest and the well-being of the peasants of their villages, would bring about the desired conditions. But, unfortunately, these ideas did not materialize with the result that the conditions prevailing in the inam villages are really deteriorating and the inam villages thus present a doleful picture. It was my privilege, when supervising the activities of the Medical Department as a Minister, to go into several of these inam villages and I have seen the conditions. They are doleful. What the Hon'ble Member Sri H. M. Channabasappa said

* Asterisks indicate that the speeches concerned have not been returned approved by the Hon'ble Member.